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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

SMALL GERMAN WARSHIP FOUNDERS.

CANADA AND CONSCRIPTION: THE PREMIER'S PROMISE.

Socialists Denounce Anti-Compulsionists.

MORE GERMAN INTRIGUE IN AMERICA.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

THE CABINET.

NEW POSTMASTER GENERAL.

January 18, 3.50 p.m.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith announced that Mr. Joseph Pease had been appointed Postmaster General. [Mr. Pease has been President of the Board of Education since 1911 and was formerly Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. From 1908 to 1910 he was a very popular Chief Liberal Whip.]

IRELAND AND THE ARMY.

MR. REDMOND MAKES A POINT.

January 18, 12.25 p.m.
In the course of a speech in the House of Commons, Mr. Redmond pointed out that large proportions of the Australian, South African and Canadian contingents were men of Irish blood.

COMPULSORY SERVICE.

SOCIALISTS' SPIRITED MANIFESTO.

January 18, 12.25 p.m.
Those opposing compulsory service "in the name of the masses" are trenchantly denounced in a manifesto issued by the Socialist Defence Committee. The manifesto says objection to compulsion in the present circumstances is hypocrisy, as "direct and indirect compulsion is the keystone of the edifice of Trade Unionism." The manifesto stigmatises as a humbug and a coward any eligible Trade Unionist now refusing to enlist.

THE TEMPER OF THE NATION.

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THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

INTERMITTENT CANNONADES.

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CANADA'S DETERMINATION.

NO CONSCRIPTION.

January 18, 1.45 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa, in the House of Commons Sir Wilfrid Laurier affirmed that Canada's spontaneous desire was to do her duty and bring the war to a successful conclusion. He promised to support the raising of the Canadian forces to half a million. He emphasised, however, that this must not be the prelude to conscription.

The Premier replied dwelling optimistically on the immediate prospects, paying a tribute to the Canadians who were already sending 120,000 troops, also having 220,000 under arms. He emphatically repeated that he had no intention of introducing conscription.

GERMAN INTRIGUE IN U.S.

ATTEMPTED EXPORT OF RUBBER.

January 18, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at New York says that five Germans and a rubber Company have been fined sums ranging from \$10 to \$150 sterling for conspiracy in trying to ship rubber to Germany.

ANCONA BOMBED.

LITTLE DAMAGE DONE.

January 18, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Ancona says that five enemy aeroplanes bombed Ancona, killing one person. The damage was slight.

GERMAN WARSHIP FOUNDERS.

FATE OF CREW UNKNOWN.

January 18, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Copenhagen says that a small German auxiliary warship has foundered off Aero Island. The fate of the crew is unknown, but German uniforms and caps have been washed ashore.

MR. FORD'S PEACE PLANS.

PERMANENT COMMITTEE AT STOCKHOLM.

January 18, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at the Hague says that a neutral Peace Conference organised by Mr. Ford will sit permanently at Stockholm and will be styled the Continuous Committee of Conciliation.

SHIPPING PROBLEMS.

GOVERNMENT REQUISITIONING OF VESSELS.

January 18, 2.05 p.m.
The heavy requisitioning of ships on Government account is being keenly discussed in shipping circles.

It appears, says the *Times*, that vessels are being requisitioned to load cargoes of coal for Italy and elsewhere and are then to be released on condition that they load cargoes of grain for Home. It is understood that vessels in the Eastern Mediterranean have been released on condition that they load cargoes for Indian ports, including a stipulated proportion of manganese ore which is required for the manufacture of munitions.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

A COMBINED ATTACK.

January 17, 4.45 p.m.
A communique from the Western front says:—On Monday night the enemy showed some activity with trench-mortars and bombs at Givenchy. To-day we made a combined attack with bombs, rifle fire, grenades and trench-mortars at the same place, with excellent results. Our bombardment was effective at Ervinghen, Zwarteleen and north of Ypres where a large fire was caused behind the enemy's lines. Hostile artillery has been active at Ypres.

EFFECT OF FRENCH GUNNERY.

January 18, 2.30 a.m.
A Paris communique says:—Our long-range guns inflicted considerable loss on an assemblage of enemy troops in Belgium, and damaged enemy depots on the heights of the Meuse. We effectively shelled enemy trenches between the Somme and the Aisne and damaged some German works north west of Berry-au-Bac.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE RUSSIANS.

KIPLING'S MESSAGE.

January 17, 5.55 p.m.
Mr. Rudyard Kipling in a New Year message to Russia says:—"I cannot look for peace before Germany is taught that there is a God other than their own lust. We, your allies, will never forget Russia's inflexible fortitude and sacrifice."

TURCO-GERMAN CONTINGENT DRIVEN BACK.

January 17, 6.05 p.m.
A Petrograd communique says:—In the fight for Kangavar we took many prisoners and there are numerous enemy dead. Our losses were insignificant. South-east of Hamadan we drove back a Turco-German detachment.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

January 17, 10.40 p.m.
Petrograd communique says:—On the West front only artillery activity has taken place at various points.

A USEFUL CAPTURE.

January 17, 10.40 p.m.
A Petrograd communique says that in the Caucasus the Turks twice attempted to cross the Arkhar River but were repulsed. A Turkish artillery depot has been captured north-west of Hicrossan, together with about a million cartridges and several thousand shells.

MR. ASQUITH'S MESSAGE.

January 18, 6.05 a.m.
A message from Mr. Asquith, published in Petrograd says that he is confident that 1916 will witness the consummation of the hopes of the Allies in the final overthrow of their common enemy.

THE PRINCE AND THE PATRIOTIC FUND.

January 17, 7.45 p.m.
The Prince of Wales presided over a meeting of the Royal Patriotic Fund at St. James' Palace. His Royal Highness said that his experiences at the front would leave imperishable memories of the dauntless courage and cheerful endurance of the British troops. He emphasised the fact that the Fund must endeavour to prevent the soldiers from dreading lest their families should suffer hardship. His Royal Highness announced that the Fund would be able to augment pensions in exceptional cases and also to extend benefits to dependants hitherto unrecognized. Mr. McKenna recommended that a grant of a million pounds be placed at the Committee's disposal.

IRELAND AND THE BILL.

January 17, 9.10 a.m.
In the House of Commons during the Committee stage on the Military Bill some Ulsterites moved the inclusion of Ireland. The speeches of Ulsterites and Nationalists alike were most moderate. Mr. Bonar Law deprecated the amendment to the Bill, which aimed at getting men who were absolutely necessary in such a way as to cause the least friction. To press the amendment, he declared, would weaken the country in its struggle. Mr. John Redmond feared that the exclusion of Ireland would lead to cruel and unjust misrepresentation. Ireland was doing all that the military authorities asked and to force the Bill on Ireland would mean playing into the hands of a small minority. Sir Edward Carson, in view of Mr. Bonar Law's declaration, did not press the amendment.

THE FIGHTING IN THE BALKANS.

A HUNGARIAN STATEMENT.

January 12, 1.15 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that according to a telegram from Budapest, Count Tisza, in the Chamber, announced that Montenegro had requested that peace negotiations be opened. Count Tisza said that the Hungarian reply demanded unconditional capitulation and that he had just received the news that Montenegro had agreed to unconditional surrender. Therefore, when capitulation was accomplished, peace negotiations would begin.

THE ITALIANS.

ENEMY AGAIN FLEES.

January 18, 2.00 a.m.
A Rome communique says that the Italian bombardment of Fort Raib, on the frontier of Trentino, destroyed a portion of a capota and put an enemy detachment to flight. A vigorous Italian counter-offensive in the hills around Calais continues successfully.

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

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Sunday, January 23.

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Wednesday, January 26.

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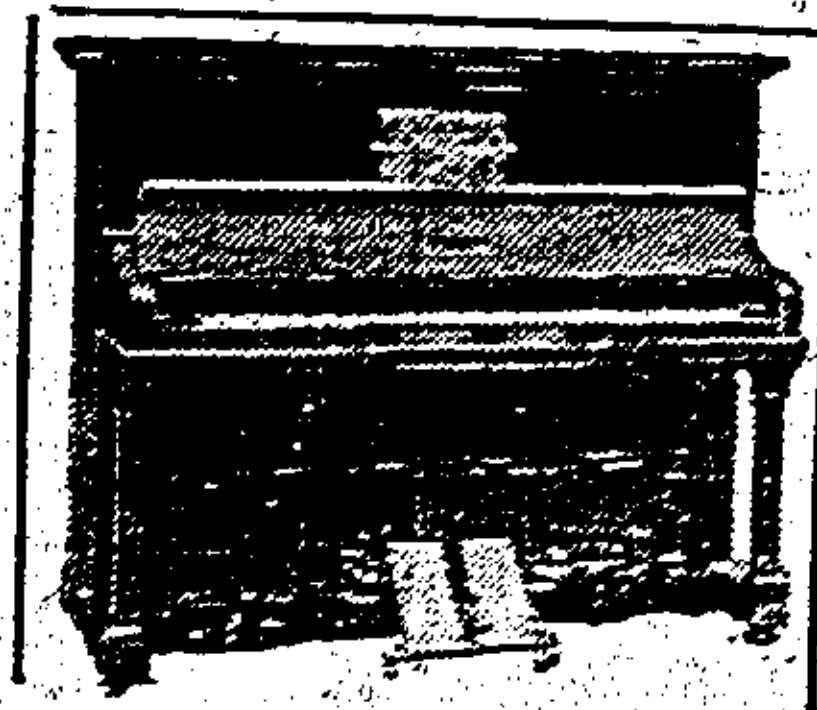
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South China Morning Post.

Von Papen's Papers.

The fact that Captain von Papen, the discredited German military attaché to the United States, permitted himself to be found in possession, at Folkestone, enroute to Germany, of a large quantity of incriminating evidence concerning German conspiracies in the United States proves him to be a devil-may-care type of individual, and a danger not only to those against whom he had been plotting but also to those who had associated themselves with his dastardly schemes. The United States is well rid of him, but there will be not a few left who are "sneaking in their shoes" as to the outcome of their leader's indiscretion. . . . Naturally, the exposure has created a tremendous sensation not only in the United States but in England and, the blame having been fixed, the question now arises "What is to be done?"

Daily Press.

The Yunnan Revolt.

News of the revolt in Yunnan is still very meagre and conflicting. The Central Government appear to be satisfied of their ability to suppress the movement and they are addressing themselves to the task with firmness and dispatch. The President General Tang Chi-yao military governor of the Province; Jen Ko-chen, the Civil Governor; and General Tsai Ao, who is regarded in Peking as the instigator of the trouble, have been degraded and superseded by loyalists; and, though the military governors of Kwantung, Kuangsi, Szechuen, Hunan, and Kweichow have asked that punishment of the rebels should be deferred pending the return of delegates who have been sent to induce them to lay down their arms, a punitive force has been organised and is marching on Yunnan from three different points. The number of troops in the Province is variously estimated at 150,000, 50,000 and 10,000, but, whatever the number, they are said to be well-equipped by the local Arsenal, which is reported to be capable of turning out 2,000 rifles and 20,000 rounds of ammunition a day.

China Mail.

Afforestation in China. It has recently been announced that the Chinese Government intends to inaugurate an active programme of re-afforestation. To that end a Forestry Department has been formed, and two foreign experts have been engaged—one British and one American. A Chinese forestry expert has also been touring extensively in China trying by illustrated lectures to create a public interest in forestry conservation, thus preparing the people to take up the work of re-afforestation. At a meeting at Foochow recently this expert delivered his lectures before audiences of students who in the aggregate numbered over five thousand, and before other audiences of officials, business men and gentry. Sir F. S. A. Bourne recently confessed to a feeling of "positive disgust" at the foolish neglect by the Chinese of trees, which he declared was surely ruining one of the fairest regions in the world. . . . It was indeed surprising anyone who travels in China to note the almost complete absence of trees. With such expert advisers as Mr. Pardon, who was formerly attached to the Kew Arboretum, and Mr. Sherborne, who has held a responsible post in the Philippines Forestry Bureau, the Chinese Government ought soon to be able to give substantial proofs of its resolve to inaugurate schemes of re-afforestation on a considerable scale, but some years must elapse before the value of their work becomes obvious.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Irrigation Machinery for Siam.
Two dredgers, one of American manufacture and one from Scotland, and two steam shovels both from America, have been ordered by the Siam Government for use in connection with the Piasak scheme of irrigation, which was sanctioned some time ago.

King as Cattle-breeder.

London, December 7.—His Majesty the King has received the 100 guinea plate offered for the champion beast of Smithfield cattle show with a Shorthorn heifer called "Windsor Gem." As the breeder of the same animal the King received also a challenge cup presented by himself. His Majesty's other animals took eight first prizes.

Electrocution of a Horse in India.

Delhi, December 14.—The question of municipal liability for the electrocution of a horse came up before the Municipal Committee at Delhi on Tuesday morning when they were asked to decide upon a claim preferred by Mr. S. A. Rahman for Rs. 275 on account of the death of his horse caused by the breaking of an electric lighting wire in Queen's Road. The Small Causes Court had passed a decree for Rs. 343 8 including the cost of the suit against the Municipal Committee. The Committee ordered the payment.

Death of Well-known Australian.

Sydney, Dec. 7.—Mr. Alfred James Vincent, the well-known black and white artist, died at his residence, "Preston," Ashburner-street, Manly, on Monday night. He had been ailing for some time and was under the care of Dr. McVittie, who left him for a while in care of Mrs. Vincent. Shortly afterwards Mr. Vincent called out to his wife, "Don't come in here, it's horrible." On entering the room she found her husband sitting on the bed with his throat cut and blood flowing from the wound. She immediately called for the doctor, but her husband died on his arrival. A razor was found on the bed alongside of him. He was 40 years of age and leaves a wife and one child.

New Portuguese Cabinet in Sympathy with Allies.

Paris, December 3.—Sympathy for the Allies was expressed in a declaration of the new Portuguese cabinet which appeared before Parliament yesterday, says a Havas dispatch from Lisbon. The ministry declared it would abstain from all party politics and adhere strictly to a national policy, adding: "The Government will make strong efforts to execute the laws passed by Parliament upon the subject of the attitude of Portugal in the present war, safeguarding thus the dignity and interests of the nation, lending co-operation to right and justice defended by England and her allies, whom the Portuguese people assured of their full oral sympathy at the beginning of the war and several times since then."

Lord Rosebery and America.

London, November 16.—"I know nothing more disheartening than the announcement recently made that the United States—the one great country left in the world free from the hideous, bloody burden of war—is about to embark upon the building of a huge Armada, destined to be equal or second to our own," said Lord Rosebery, at the University of London to-night. "It means that the burden will continue upon the other nations, and be increased exactly in proportion to the fleet of the United States. I confess that it is a disheartening prospect that the United States, so remote from the European conflict, should voluntarily, in these days, take up the burden which, after this war, will be found to have broken, or almost broken, our backs." Old Europe, said Lord Rosebery, was disappearing never to return in its present shape. One obvious aspect of this transition was that in the future it would be quite impossible to make treaty arrangements between the great powers without first obtaining some likely guarantee of their observance.

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The patriotic funds raised in New Zealand total over a million pounds, of which £372,000 is for wounded soldiers, £358,000 for British, Belgian, and other relief funds, and £260,000 for other funds. Money is still coming in.

New Bowling Champion.

A new bowling champion was discovered when, at the National Sporting Club, Young Fox, of Leeds, won the bantam weight title and Lonsdale Belt, his opponent, Jim Berry, of Dinington, giving in at the end of the eighteenth round of a twenty-round contest.

The Fire at Nagoya Prison.

It is reported from Nagoya that the loss caused by the fire at the prison there will amount to approximately ¥100,000. The convicts are to be taken to prisons at Okazaki, Gifu, Kanazawa and Aomori. The judicial officers are now making arrangements for the transfer of the prisoners.—Kobe Herald

Insanity in the Philippines.

According to the most complete statistics available there were at the end of the past year 4,324 insane people living in the Philippines either in hospitals, asylums or in the homes of their relatives. Of this number 2,385 were males and 1,939 females, 72 were children. In the Hospital of St. Jose six of the inmates were Europeans, and in San Lazaro nine were Americans, three Europeans and seven Chinese.

The Improvement of Communications in China.

Mr. Liang Tun-yen, Minister of Communications, is contemplating the improvement of Chinese posts and the establishment of special railway colleges, say the Peking Daily News. In addition, a special school for the training of postal experts will be established in the Capital and some officials will be despatched to foreign countries for the study of postal and other matters in connection with communications. Further we hear that all employees in those Government railways will be examined so as to select some of them for the proposed railway schools. The savings bank branch will be specially introduced into the postal service in the not distant future for promoting the saving habit of the Chinese people. An Australian Betting Ordinance. Melbourne, December.—The attention of members of the State Parliament has been directed to the intention of Mr. Holman, Premier of N.S.W., to introduce legislation providing for the taxation of betting operations. It is estimated that if the same course were followed in Victoria considerably more than £500,000 could be raised annually. In the Legislative Assembly the Premier, Sir Alexander Peacock, is to be urged to adopt Mr. Holman's proposal. Several opponents of the Totalisator Bill, on being interviewed this morning, said they would be prepared to support such a measure as Mr. Holman's. Other members expressed the opinion that the Bill would be speedily put through both Houses.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

(Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of January 19, 1915.)

Germans Evacuate Trenches.

On the 16th the allies continued to progress in the Nieuport and Lombardzyde regions for a depth of about 200 metres. Their artillery compelled the Germans to evacuate their trenches on the Great Dune and destroyed one of their redans north of that place, also forcing the Germans to abandon two machine-gun shelters. German works to the north of St. Georges were also bombarded. The French artillery continued to break down the enemy's trenches near La Bi-selle.

German Losses.

The Germans lost a hundred men at Troyon in a very violent attack which failed. Another attack against the French trenches at Beaulieu was also repulsed. The French progress is constant at Perthes, Beausjour and in the Vooges.

Russians Seize Important Pass.

The Russians have seized the important Kirilibab Pass, in the Carpathians, bordering on Transylvania.

Turkish Corps Annihilated.

Our Army in the Caucasus annihilated the 11th Turkish Army Corps. Only insignificant portions escaped, and these are fleeing in disorder. All the Corps' artillery was captured.

Secretary to German Treasury Resigns.

The German Imperial Secretary to the Treasury, Herr Knohn, is resigning his position, ostensibly on account of ill-health. He will be succeeded by Professor Hoffmeyer, the manager of the Deutsche Bank.

German Cargo Steamers Sunk.

It is stated in Stockholm that during the past fortnight five large German cargo steamers have disappeared in the Baltic Sea with their crews, through striking mines.

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TELEGRAMS.

OPIUM FOR MEDICINES.

(Barber's Service To The "Telegraph.")

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 Router's correspondent learns that in connection with the E. J. decision to allow the export of opium to Britain for medicinal purposes, the Imperial Institute is making researches in order to determine the varieties of Indian opium which are the most valuable for these purposes. It is also investigating the value of Egyptian benzene for the manufacture of atropine, and much attention is also being directed to the question of oil seeds.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Arnold Morley.

Received January 13.
 The death is announced of the Rt. Hon. Arnold Morley, P.C.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Tales of the Mea.
 London, December 10.
 It is one of the tragedies of this war that it can never be adequately described. The dead is too big. Almost every hour of the day and night personal episodes are occurring at the front which, if they stood by themselves, could be recorded for posterity, would move immortal wars, or perhaps dateless laughter. Splendid are some of the stories of simple valour, and terribly grim some of the stories of bitter comedy, brought back by those who have visited the trenches in France. A civilian friend, who recently came back from a memorable political tour of inspection at the British Front, tells many stories that he heard first hand in the trenches, from those who took part in the high adventures, or who witnessed the tense drama of them. From the lips of an officer of a very famous killed regiment he heard the details, grisly and terrific, of one episode he will never forget. There had been a charge by the kilts. After the charge, which carried the opposing German trench, and was driven back after ferocious fighting, by a heavy German counter-attack, these gallant Territorials spent a night in their own trench. Next morning they found that the Germans had been busy in the darkness outside their recaptured trench. With that savage Teuton humour which adds so much to the pitiless bitterness of the fighting, and bears no sort of relation to the rough good-humoured chaff of our own Tommy Atkins, the Germans over the way had hung up, in the barbed wire in front of their trench, the bodies of two gallant kilts. And above them was a board on which was written in English—"Kilts! Here are your comrades! Come and get them!" The living comrades of these two tragic scarecrows saw red. It was all their officers could do to hold them in hand, even in broad daylight, when it was certain death to show a head above the sandbags. But at night it was worse still. The men almost maddened when their officers reluctantly refused permission for a rescue party to go out to recover their comrades' bodies for a decent burial. On the third night the officer, though refusing formal permission for the desperate venture, kept out of the way. The men of that killed battalion selected amongst themselves a chosen band of sturdy dare-devils, who silently crept out into the darkness with grim faces and fierce eyes. They returned before dawn, some of them with wounds, but all quite cheerful though silent. When daylight came the two poor bodies with the fluttering kilts had disappeared. But in their places hung nine dead Germans.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

PETITION TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

(To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—I enclose a copy of a Petition, which British Residents are invited to sign, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies asking for greater representation of the Public on the Executive and Legislative Councils.

Copies of the Petition, with sheets attached for signature, will be found at the Hongkong Club and at the Phoenix Club and also at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh & Messrs. Lane Crawford & Co. and I shall be pleased to forward lists to other places, if so desired.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Non-Official Justices of the Peace have been invited in the Petition as the proposed electoral bodies because they have, since 1884, been officially recognised by the Government as suitable bodies for the purpose of electing Unofficial Members to the Legislative Council, but it has been suggested by many that a more comprehensive body of electors would possess a more representative character, and this suggestion will be brought to the notice of the Secretary of State later on, when a covering letter, forwarding the Petition, will be addressed to him.

Probably the same electors as those who elect Unofficial Members to the Sanitary Board would be deemed suitable, namely:—

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- (ix) Editors, sub-editors and reporters of any daily newspaper published in the Colony;
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Yours faithfully,
 E. E. POLLOCK.
 Prince's Buildings,
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Petition.

For Greater Representation of the Public on the Executive and Legislative Councils.

To the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.
 The humble Petition of the undersigned British Residents in the Colony of Hongkong Sheweth as follows:—

1.—Your Petitioners most respectfully submit for the gracious consideration of His Majesty the King that it is fitting and proper that the number of Unofficial Members on the Executive and Legislative Councils should be increased, and that the principle of election should be extended.

2.—In the first place, in regard to the Executive Council, Your Petitioners would point out that there are only 2 Unofficial Members on that Council out of a total of 9 Members and also that those 2 Unofficial Members are appointed on the recommendation or nomination of the Governor of this Colony, instead of being elected by bodies representative of the Public.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Non Official Justices of the Peace for this Colony have long been recognised as representatives of the Public for electoral purposes, those bodies having, since 1884, exercised the privilege of each of them electing 1 Unofficial Member to the Legislative Council; and we now petition that there may be 2

additional Unofficial Members on the Executive Council, one of them to be elected by the Chamber of Commerce and the other by the Non-Official Justices of the Peace, and that any future vacancies on that Council may be filled by election by one of these bodies instead of by Government nomination.

3.—In the second place, in regard to the Legislative Council, Your Petitioners would point out that, as at present constituted (and as it has existed since 1896, when the Revenue was about \$2,600,000, as against about \$11,350,000 in 1915) this Council consists of 8 Official Members, and of 6 Unofficial Members, 2 of whom only are elected by the aforesaid bodies as representatives of the Public, the other 4 Unofficials, of whom 2 are Chinese, being appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

Your Petitioners submit:—

(1) That, as regards all the Unofficial Members of this Council (other than the Chinese Members who stand on a somewhat special footing), the principle of election instead of Government nomination ought to be applied, and they would humbly submit that it is somewhat inconsistent, whilst trusting the Chamber of Commerce and Non-Official Justices to elect some of the European Members of this Council, to deny the right of election to them in the case of other European Unofficial Members.

(2) That the number of Unofficial Members be increased to 10 by the addition of 4 Unofficial Members, so as to create an Unofficial Majority in the Legislative Council, as in the case of Cyprus and British Honduras.

In support of this second submission it is necessary to point out that the Official Members of the Legislative Council are not free to vote according to their convictions, and that, inasmuch as the Governor or other Presiding Officer, can commandeer all the Official votes, the Officials possess an absolute and permanent majority, whereas the Unofficials are in a permanent and hopeless minority. Under such circumstances a somewhat painful irony attaches to clause XVIII of the Royal Instructions, which enacts that "All questions proposed for debate in the Legislative Council shall be decided by the majority of votes, and the Governor or the Member presiding shall have an original vote in common with the other Members of the Council, as also a casting vote, if upon any question the votes shall be equal."

In fact, the Legislative Council, as at present constituted, though consisting numerically of 14 Members, simply carries into effect the individual will and judgment of the Governor or other Presiding Officer.

4.—Whilst Your Petitioners are fully conscious of the extremely serious and engrossing nature of the present War, they nevertheless venture humbly to submit that the above defects in the purely internal and domestic Constitution of this Colony (which can readily be rectified by amending the Royal Instructions) call for some remedy and they conclude by most earnestly assuring His Majesty of their heartfelt loyalty and devotion.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray:—

1.—That there may be 4 Unofficial Members on the Executive Council instead of 2, and that the 2 additional Members may be elected, one of them by the Chamber of Commerce and the other of them by the Non-Official Justices of the Peace, and that any future vacancies on that Council may be filled by the election by one of these bodies instead of by Government Nomination.

2.—That all the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council (other than the Chinese Members) may be elected, half of them by the Chamber of Commerce and half of them by the Non-Official Justices of the Peace.

3.—That the number of Unofficial Members on the Legislative Council may be increased from 6 to 10.
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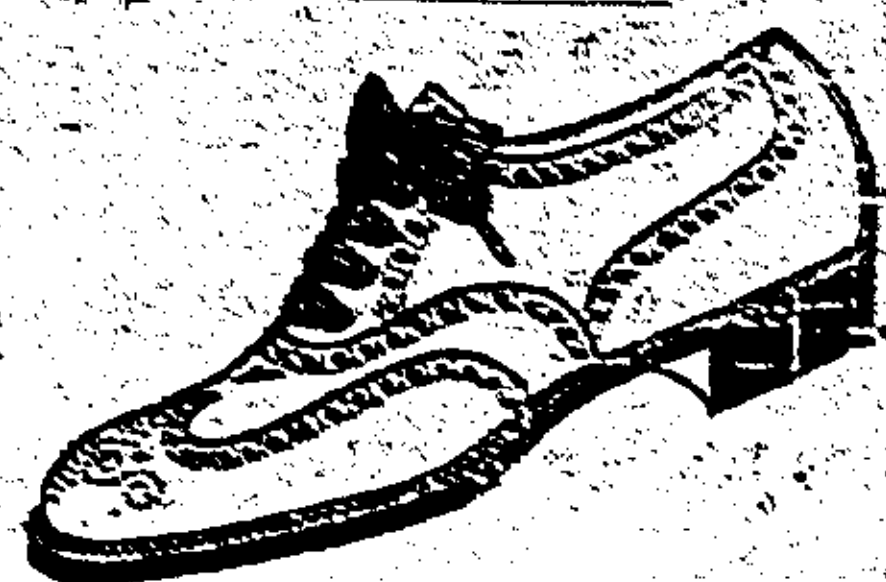
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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane.	Aki Maru Capt. Tomioka Tango Maru Capt. Soyeda	T. 13,500 {TUES., 15th T. 13,500 {Feb., at 11 a.m. T. 13,500 {TUES., 14th T. 13,500 {Mar., at 4 p.m.
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SHANGHAI, Moji and Kobe.	Kirin Maru Capt. Sasak	T. 8,000 {FRIDAY, 1st Jan.
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SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama.	Tosa Maru Capt. Takano	T. 10,000 {TUESDAY, 28th Jan.
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Japan's Merchant Marine.

A few years ago Japan set out to build up her merchant marine. Her own shipbuilding yards were kept busy with orders for high-class passenger vessels, and when passenger vessels were not wanted modern cargo carriers were placed on the stocks. In addition, inquiries were sent out in all quarters as to vessels that might be open to purchase, which phase is the most important now perhaps, for, as a result of it, the land of the Rising Sun has come into a position of importance that seems hardly creditable, for although it turned out many passenger and cargo vessels, it is these old second-hand craft that are seen in all quarters of the globe in such numbers that one must marvel. The big point for consideration in this connection is that many of these vessels were acquired at figures so low in fact that although the sales are of such recent date, in many cases the vessels secured must have already paid for this price twice over. Some might think that it is as a result of the war, and so much tonnage being required for services in connection with the transportation of troops and munitions that the Japanese owners have reaped such a rich harvest, and no doubt there is something in that idea, but looked at calmly from any point, there is only one deduction to be made, and that is that the Japanese foresaw a shortage of tonnage in consequence of the development of the trades of the world, and as vessels were offering so cheaply a few years ago, decided to step in and make the best of the opportunity that offered them, just as the foreign shipowners did some eight or ten years ago when the British sailing shipowner became infatuated with the steamboat possibilities and so disposed of their sailing vessels right and left, at prices that were certainly ridiculous, as subsequent events proved. The result was that Germany, Norway, and Sweden especially built up fine fleets of wind-jammers that later on in some cases earned the figure paid for them in one trip. Certainly, it has never been the British owners' policy to retain old tonnage if trade conditions permitted him to replace it with new. Possibly this can be attributed to the strong spirit of competition in catering for the travelling public in every way that has marked shipping affairs since the era of the steamboat, since which time it seems to be the paramount idea of every owner to outdo the other in providing vessels for travellers of a most palatial character. So much so that one with the slightest knowledge of shipping is forced to wonder how it all can be done with passenger rates and freight on cargo, especially the little quantity of cargo a modern passenger vessel can carry, that is asked by them today, and has been for so long past. That the British owner in his estimate considers the "life" of a vessel too brief has often been asserted. No vessel fitted out as they have been in the last ten years should be relegated to an inferior position in a service until at least ten years' work has been done by her, and very often a longer period, considering the vast expenses entailed in the construction and equipment. The lesson Japan is giving us in building up world-wide connections with vessels one, in these days of lavishness in shipbuilding, might feel disposed to regard as completely out of date and of no use whatever, should leave a memory that will have more effect than the similar happening in connection with sailing ships which British owners in the last few years must have often thought were practically given away.—Exchange.

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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]
"THE BLOCKADE FARCE."
ILLUMINATING FIGURES.

The Morning Post, under the heading "The Blockade Farce," publishes a Washington telegram giving remarkable figures of America's exports to neutrals during the first ten months of 1915 as compared with the corresponding period of 1913. The figures are as follows:—

	1915.	1913.
Wheat	50,000,000 bushels	19,000,000
Maize	28,950,000 bushels	13,750,000
Flour	5,100,000 barrels	1,417,000
Bacon	91,500,000 lbs.	30,900,000
Beets	4,800,000 pairs	482,000
Cotton	1,100,000 bales	53,000
Automobiles and parts	\$20,000,000	\$1,200,000

The American exports to Germany for the same periods are:—

	1915.	1913.
Wheat	15,000 bushels	12,000,000
Maize	15,000 bushels	8,000,000
Flour	nil	140,000
Bacon	273,000 lbs.	110,000
Beets	nil	471,000
Cotton	194,000 bales	1,700,000
Automobiles and parts	\$2,800	\$775,000

A STRICTER BLOCKADE.

January 12, 10.10 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at New York, it is stated that President Wilson has received from London from Dr. Faye, United States Ambassador, and from Colonel House, President Wilson's special envoy to Europe, information to the effect that the blockade of Germany will shortly be more stringently enforced. The reports are received with satisfaction by the Americans, as it is thought that an effective blockade will end a dangerous controversy over neutral commerce.

GERMANY AND THE WAR.

STORMY MEETING OF THE PRUSSIAN DIET.

January 18, 2.45 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, the Budget debate in the Prussian Diet was remarkable for the insistent demands for reform of the Prussian franchise by the Socialists, Herr Hirsch, who further demanded the complete restoration of independence to Belgium.

The Conservative, Herr Heydebrand, declared that it would be contrary to the interests of the country to settle the franchise question now, because the end of the war is not yet apparent, and firm determination was still necessary.

Herr Heydebrand was constantly interrupted when he proceeded to lay on the Entente the responsibility for the continuation of the war, Herr Liebknecht and other Socialists shouting, "The blood falls on you, who are keeping the truth from the people."

EX-PRESIDENT HUERTA.

A Mexican Kruger.

In view of the announcement of the death of ex-President Huerta, the following character sketch of the deceased, written by a special correspondent of the Times in November, 1914, should be read with interest:—

To discover the true nature of this man, who for many months has been so prominent a figure on the stage of nations, we must look into his history, not only since, but before he succeeded Madero as President after the street battle in Mexico City last spring. To begin with, he is proud of it. "Yo soy Indio," he declared at the dinner given by the British Club here to celebrate the Coronation of King George, and he went on, in one of his bursts of intimate eloquence:—"My people are young compared with your Anglo-Saxon, but in our veins there are the same red coruscates as in yours." By keeping in mind the fact that he is Indian, we find the clue to many sides of his character, which in a Mexican or Spanish or even mixed origin would be harder to explain. His ability, undoubtedly remarkable, is closely allied to cunning. His intelligence has strange limitations. While at times he can behave with striking dignity, he allows himself in moments of relaxation to forget his high position. By frequenting cafes, some of them classed as disreputable, he has offended the taste of the cultivated; the more so since in this respect they compare him unfavorably with President Diaz, who was always careful to uphold the

best traditions of his office. It is universally believed in the United States that he is a heavy drinker. Here there is exaggeration. That he drinks a certain quantity of alcohol is true. I have been told by one who visited him in the early morning that his breakfast consisted of a beaten-up raw egg, a glass of claret, and a glass of brandy. But the habit is more easily excusable when it has so little effect, either mental or physical, as in General Huerta's case. He is in his 69th year, a man of powerful frame and vigorous constitution. Alcohol seems to stimulate him, without having the same effect as it would have upon the great majority of men.

Military Education.
Born a poor Indian boy, he might have lived and died in obscurity but for the timely visit to his village of a force of soldiers, commanded by a general. The general needed an amanuensis, and at that time Indians able to read and write were even scarcer than they are to-day. Young Huerta had made good use of such poor schooling as the village afforded. The general employed him, was struck by his brightness, and took him to the capital, where, through the interest of President Juarez, he was admitted to the Military School. This, of course, could not be compared with similar institutions in Europe, but Victoriano Huerta took full advantage of his opportunities, and at the end of the course of studies was declared a credit to the college and a young man marked out for high positions. Under General Diaz he did good service, but for some reason was never liked nor trusted by his

commander-in-chief, perhaps because Diaz considered him a possible rival. Yet when the old President fled the country Huerta behaved with staunch loyalty; saw to his safe conduct; even ordered a farewell salute to be fired. As soon as Madero came into office Colonel Huerta was placed on half-pay. Now he is engaged in business as a contractor for building materials. I have spoken with many people who knew him in this capacity in Monterey. In his business transactions he was honest and fairly capable, but as regards the payment of his household accounts he was less punctual. That was where the Indian character revealed itself. Not even when he became President did he settle the small account which he left owing in Monterey.

Successful Campaign.

The virulence of the Zapatista rebellion in Morelos, where the land grievances of the Indians were especially acute, caused his recall to active life. He was quickly successful in dealing with the Zapatista bandits, and would have annihilated them but for Madero's mysterious intervention. Huerta, now General, was recalled and once more placed on half-pay. He took up business again, and was on the point of becoming a partner in some marble quarries when the failure of other leaders to defeat Orozco's rebellion in the North forced Madero to call upon him for aid. I have laid stress upon his business enterprises, because they show that Huerta was not, as his enemies declare, a man consumed by ambition for power. Had he been that he would not have retired so quietly into private life. What he sought was money rather than power. It is avarice, many think, rather than ambition which has made him cling to office with so desperate a grip.

Before he agreed to take command against Orozco he made certain demands for war material. These were at first refused, but he persisted and Madero's Government gave way. His campaign was a triumphal success. Yet a third time Madero dispensed with his services until, as the end of his disastrous Presidency approached, he was compelled to rely upon Huerta once more. During the fighting in the capital he commanded the Federal troops, but he saw from the first how hopeless Madero's position was. He saw that Madero had become impossible. He was appealed to by Senators, Deputies, foreign residents, and with especial force, as he himself has told me, by Mr. Henry Lane Wilson, the American Ambassador, to end the carnage in the streets (3,000 had been killed). He met General Felix Diaz at the American Embassy; a few hours later Madero was made a prisoner and forced to resign. Huerta being Minister of War, and the strongest man in sight, became Provisional President in accordance with the terms of the Mexican Constitution.

Presidential Difficulties.
From the moment of Madero's murder, however, he had to face the determined hostility of the United States. Washington refused to recognize him, partly on the ground that it wished to discourage violent revolutions by political adventurers, an epithet which scarcely applies to one who had office thrust upon him in the manner I have described. He was unable to borrow money for the purpose of defeating the rebellion which broke out a few days after he had become President. The Carranzistas overran the north. Zapatista and his brutal "peones" scourged Morelos and its neighbor States. Hailed at the outset as the saviour of his country, General Huerta steadily lost ground. He could only see one way out of his worst friends, he dissolved Congress and im-

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Hongkong Ice—\$190, sellers.

Arrested a large number of Deputies. Money troubles became serious. Salaries of public servants, rents of public buildings, fell into arrears. The furrows in the old President's forehead deepened. He quarrelled with his Ministers. He had begun with a Cabinet of respectable, and mostly capable, politicians. One by one they were "requested to resign," and their places filled by inferior men. As a Mexican, who once played a prominent part, put it to me, the President "no longer sought colleagues, but accomplices." He gathered around him a crew of sycophants who encouraged him to think that the United States were "only bluffing," and that even if war came, their country could not defeat his ragged, ill-trained Indians.

Relations with Ministers.
Now he is obsessed by the belief that he is indispensable. He "cooked the election" so that he might be returned as President, although he had not offered himself. Copies of the secret instructions he sent to local authorities are being furtively shown about the city now. This was merely a ruse, however. His plan was that the new Congress, consisting for the most part of his relatives and supporters, should declare his election void, but ask him to remain in office until the country was sufficiently pacified for a fresh choice to be made. I am assured that he confided to a friend that no election would be possible for three years, and that he then counted upon being elected President himself! That was in one of his expansive moods. As a rule he confides in nobody. Even his Ministers are kept in ignorance of what his next move is to be. He summons them suddenly, sometimes in the very early hours of the morning, and tells them what they are to do. If they argue they are dismissed. Senor Garcia Aldape advised him to resign, and pointed out that the meeting of Congress would be illegal. He was not only deprived of his office, but packed off at less than 12 hours' notice to France, where he is to be Mexican Minister!

With an obstinate tyrant on one side and an obstinate moralist on the other, it is no wonder that the people here are apprehensive. The whole city is in a state of nervous tension. Added to their anxiety as to what the United States may do is a sinister fear of an outbreak by the soldiers, if there should be no way of securing money with which to pay them. The situation is difficult and dangerous, seriously like that which preceded the South African War. Then, as now, there was an old President trying all kinds of ruses, fancying he could give battle successfully to a powerful nation with endless resources, fighting doggedly against the inevitable. President Huerta is an Indian. President Kruger was a Boer; but history will say of them that they were very much alike.

WOOLING AND BORROWING.

An Interesting Chinese Case.

Married at 22 years and a widow a few years after, a Chinese woman inherited \$2,000 and some jewellery by her husband's death. Later she met a Chinese who desired that she should be his concubine, but she refused to occupy that position, but agreed she would be his "kept woman" for a month. Her temporary lover apparently, had an eye on her money, and is said to have borrowed from her the sum of \$500 for which he gave a promissory note. After obtaining the money he disappeared, and it was only by an accident she discovered his whereabouts. The result of that discovery led to hearing in the Summary Court, this morning, of her claim for the money from the man.

Mr. Mason appeared for the plaintiff and defendant was represented by Mr. H. K. Hung. The case was adjourned.

ARMED ROBBERY CASE.

The case was proceeded with before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court this afternoon, of the two men who are charged with being concerned in an armed robbery at Shaukiwan.

In opening the case, Inspector Angus said that the robbery took place at 7, Shan Pin Terrace, Shaukiwan, at 9.30 on the night of January 5, the robbers stealing clothing and jewellery of the total value of \$631. Three men knocked at the door of the house and, on the door being opened, the men, who were armed with choppers, rushed in, and threatening to kill the women in the house if they cried out, ransacked the house, and made good their escape. The next morning the two defendants were arrested, a quantity of the stolen goods being recovered. In their statements when charged the first defendant admitted taking part in the robbery but stated that he did not steal so much as was mentioned in the charge. The second defendant said he took the men to the house to rob but he did not go inside. The other men committed the robbery but he did not know what they had done with the goods.

Mr. E. Davidson, of Meers, Hastings and Hastings, defended the second defendant.

Evidence was given by the women of the house, who bore out the Inspector's statement. The case was adjourned.

THEFT FROM KOWLOON DOCK.

Two men were charged before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court this morning, with stealing a rotary blower, valued at \$30, from the Kowloon Docks.

From the evidence it appeared that the first defendant was engaged by the second man to go in the store and take the machine out. He took the machine and put it on board a launch at the pier head, being afraid to go through the dock gates, a watchman being on duty. From the pier the launch went to several ships and eventually arrived at Kennedy Town. Mr. Hazeland, from there the man went to Yau-mai, the machine being landed. Alakong saw the two men enter a marine store dealer's shop. Detective Sergeant Wills asked for the charge against the first defendant to be withdrawn, as he was probably a dupe of the other. Mr. Hazeland agreed to this course, and sentenced the second defendant to two months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

CLAIM FROM CANTON BANK.

A Bogus Case Recalled.

A very interesting case was heard at the Supreme Court this morning, before the Chief Justice, Sir William Rous Davies, when the widow of a Chinese named Lan Yuit, alias Lan Chok-ting, sought to recover the sum of \$10,400 from the Canton Bank, \$10,000 of which was principal and the remainder interest on an account, it being alleged by the plaintiff that deposit notes of \$8,000 and \$2,000 respectively were deposited in the Canton Bank by her husband on August 26 and 27, 1913, and were payable on demand. On September 21, 1913, the depositor was shot by order of the military authorities of Canton for breach of military duty. A week after he had deposited the money in the bank he handed the notes to plaintiff, who retained possession of them all the time. In December 1913 she arrived at Hongkong and demanded the money from the bank, but was informed that they had not got the money, having paid it out by order of Court made in another action.

Mr. G. C. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. Faithfull, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Messrs. Johnstone, Stokes and Master, represented the defendants.

Mr. Alabaster said that this was a case arising out of a fraud, a bogus action, the parties of which had not yet been laid by the heels. In this action the husband of the plaintiff was not a party. There was a specially endorsed writ and the defendant in the action was a person who had, or used, the name of Lan Yuit, and the defendant drew the money from the bank.

For the defence, Mr. Potter contended that this action was misconceived. The Bank of Canton regretted as much as anyone that the administratrix of the deceased man had been swindled out of the \$10,000, and he (Mr. Potter) was satisfied, as he was sure His Lordship would be also, that the Bank had acted in the only way it could do. The whole misconception was the result of the Court being misled by fraudulent people, and it was not owing to the Canton Bank that the administratrix of the deceased man had been bamboozled, but owing to the Court having been misled by perjured evidence. It was quite plain, added Mr. Potter, that once a man had paid out money to a person to whom he owed it, or was holding for a person, he could not be asked to pay it again.

The Chief Justice said that the garnisher had no more right to claim on the property than the garnishee.

Mr. Potter, continuing, said that, when analysed, Mr. Alabaster's case meant that a garnishee is protected in every case except in the case of fraud, and when they came to look into it they would see how absurd it was.

Very deliberately, Mr. Potter added:—"If your Lordship finds against the defendant in this case, then you will strike a blow at the stability of banking in the Colony."

After further remarks, the case was adjourned.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V. D. state:—

Joined.
The undermentioned have joined the Corps, are allotted Corps numbers and are posted as follows:—

No. 1962 Private E. I. Grant-Smith to Scouts Co. (No. 3 Section).

No. 1963 Private A. Whitmarsh to Scouts Co. (No. 3 Section).

Leave.
2/Cpl L. J. Blackburn is granted leave of absence from 1. 2. 16 to 31. 10. 16.

Sapper G. A. Miller is granted leave of absence from 15. 2. 16 to 15. 2. 17.

Pte. R. E. Atwell is granted leave of absence from 29. 1. 16 to 29. 1. 17.

Pte. E. A. Bosmont is granted leave of absence from 18. 1. 16 to 13. 2. 16.

Sergt. F. O. Hall is granted leave of absence from 10. 2. 16, for the duration of the war.

Transfer.
Pte. A. Smith (No. 1964) from H.K.V.R. to Engineer Co., dated 18th January, 1916.

Pte. J. D. Polley (No. 1965) from H.K.V.R. to Engineer Co., dated 18th January, 1916.

Engineer Company.
The members of the Engineer Co. at Belchers and Scouts are required to attend Squad drill once per week, either at Headquarters or on the Kowloon Cricket Club ground. Permission to be absent (which must be obtained beforehand) will be granted only for approved reasons. Lyceum Section will take duty at Headquarters on Saturday, 22nd inst. at 2 p.m.

The following extract from Orders by Chief Engineer, China Command, is published for information:—

The undermentioned member of the Engineer Co., H. K. V. O., is raised to the "Proficient" rate of Engineer pay with effect from 13. 1. 16:—No. 1890 Sapper White, G. E. (Electrician).

Parades.
Parades for Thursday, 20th inst.

7.00 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling Section order dated 8. 12. 15.—Morse flag and Morse lamp practice at Headquarters.

5.15 p.m. No. 3 Sec. Scouts Co. (every member).—M. G. Instruction at Headquarters.

5.15 p.m. Recruits of all units.—Squad drill and Rifle exercises at Headquarters under Sgt. Major Higby and one N.C.O. from Right Section M.G. Co. Reminders Nil.

Field Operations 23-1-16.
The Artillery Battery and Civil Service Co. will parade on 23rd inst. as follows:—

8.30 a.m. on Cricket Ground—members living in Hongkong.
8.45 a.m. at Star Ferry Pier, Kowloon—members living in Kowloon.

Uniform, arms and equipment. Khaki drill jacket and shorts, puttees, black boots (Officers—brown boots), helmet, rifle, side arms, belt and two small pouches (empty).

Notice.—Engineer Company.—Travelling expenses for September and pay for December can now be obtained on application at Captain Russell's Office.

The Sardinia.
A wireless message received to-day states that the P. and O. steamer Sardinia will arrive in port to-morrow at 1 p.m.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.
The P. and O. steamer Sardinia left for Hongkong on the 18th inst. and is due back on the 20th inst. at about 1 p.m.—wireless message.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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GENERAL BROKERTHE Undersigned has received
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lic Auction onTHURSDAY
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12 Bevelled Mirrors
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Captain Superintendent of Police,
at least 48 hours before the in-
tended hour of departure, giving
name, nationality, age, sex,
height and occupation of the
applicant, and stating the name
of the steamer or other vessel or
the hour of the train by which
the applicant wishes to leave.
Applicants should apply in person
for their passes at the Central
Police Station between the hours
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Hongkong 9th July, 1915.MEE CHEUNG,
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Entries should be sent in
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FRIDAY JANUARY 21

AT 9.15 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

TWO PERFORMANCES.

5 and 9.15 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

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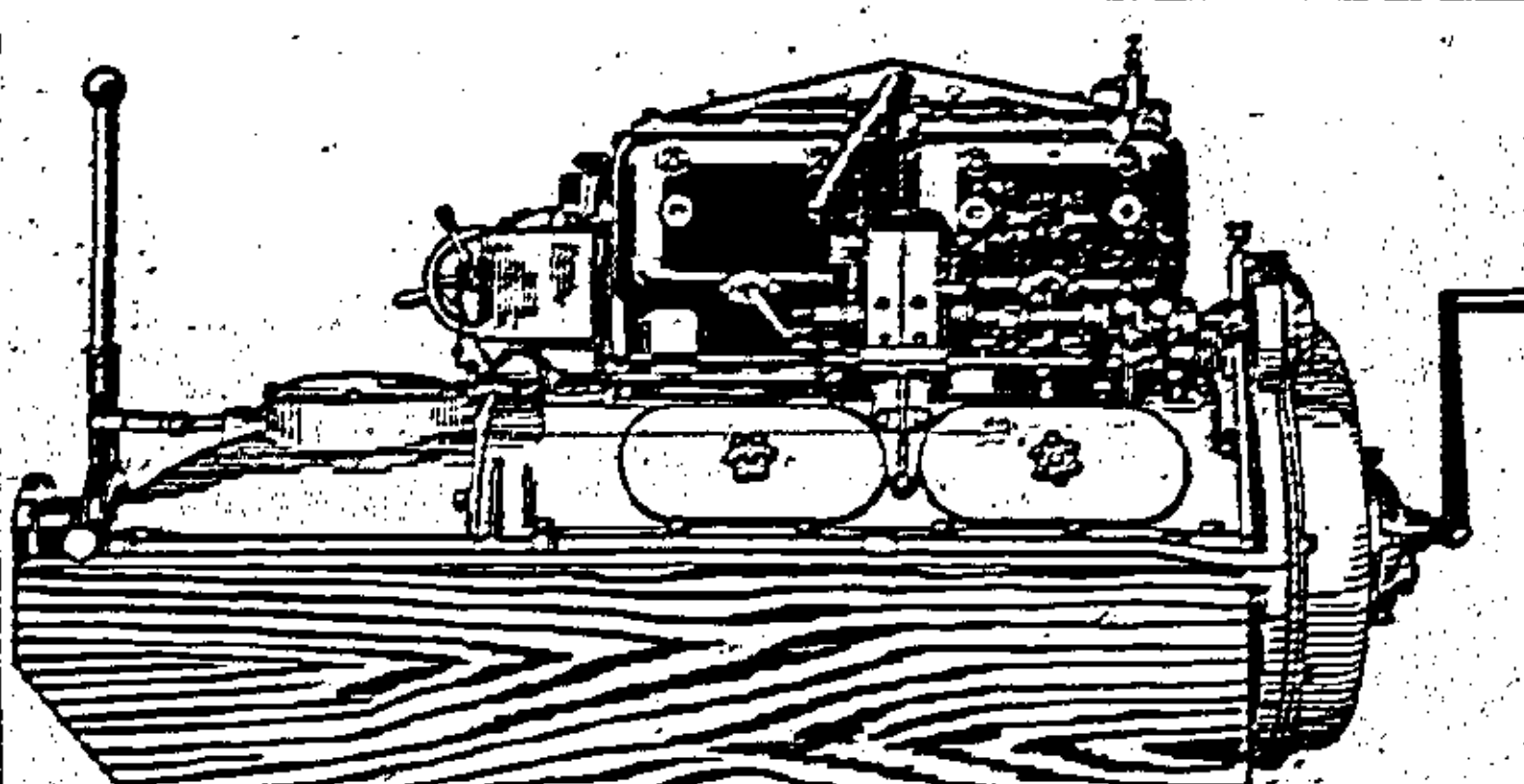
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BUTCHER MEAT.

Meat	Price
Seef Sirlon—Mei Lung Pa	lb. 19
"Prime Cut—	" 21
"Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	" 19
"Roast—Shin	" 19
"Roast—Ngau Lam	" 17
"Soup—Tong Yuk	" 15
"Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	" 30
"do—Sirlon—Ngau Lan	" 24
"Sausages—Ngau Cheung	" 24
Bullock's Brains—No	per set 50
"Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each 50
"do—Ham Ngau Li	each 60
"Head—Ngau Tan	" 14
"Heart—Ngau Sum	" 14
"Hump, Salt—Ngau Kim	" 20
"Feet—Ngau Keuk	each 11
"Kidneys—Ngau Yin	" 11
"Tail—Ngau Mei	" 13
"Liver—Ngau Kon	" 13
"Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	" 6
Calf's Head & Feet—Ngau-tai-tau-keuk	set \$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwat	lb. 25
"Leg—Yeung Pa	" 25
"Shoulder—Yeung Shau	" 24
"Saddle—	" 27
Pigs Chitlings—Chu Chong	per set 24
"Brains—Chu No	lb. 13
"Feet—Chu Keuk	" 13
"Fry—Chu Chap	" 15
"Head—Chu Tan	" 16
"Heart—Chu Sam	each 11
"Kidneys—Chu Yin	" 13
"Liver—Chu Kon	" 13
Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwat	" 24
"Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	" 23
"Leg—Chu Pui	" 23
"Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	" 20
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keuk	set 60
"Heart—Yeung Sam	each 8
"Kidneys—Yeung Yin	" 12
"Liver—Yeung Kon	lb. 28
Sucking Pigs, to order—Chu Tsai	" 22
Suet, Beef—Shang N. a Yan	" 20
"Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau	" 23
Veal—Ngau Tsai Yuk	" 19
"Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung	" 20
Lard—Chu Yau	" 20

POULTRY:

Poultry	Price
Chicken—Kai Tsai	lb. 35
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	" 34
Duck—Ap	" 32
Doves—Pan Kai	" 18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz 20
"(fresh)—	" 36
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb. 42
"Hainan—Hot Nam Kai	" 30
Geese—Ngo	" 24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each 28
"Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kap	" 25
Snipe—Sha Tsai	each 22
Turkey, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	lb. 60
"Hen—Na	" 45
Pheasant—Shan Kai	" 75
Quail—Om Chun	" 25
Partridges—Che Ku	" 65

FISH.

Fish	Price
Barbel—Ka Yu	lb. 16
Bream—Pin Yu	" 18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	" 15
Carp—Li Yu	" 20
Catfish—Chik Yu	" 12
Codfish—Mau Yu	" 14
Crabs—Hoi	" 28
Cuttle Fish—Mak Yu	" 16
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Eels, Yellow—Wong Hin	" 32
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Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	" 16
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Prawns—Ming Ha	" 38
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	" 10
Rock Fish—Shek Kiu Kwan	" 15
Roach—Chun Yu	" 12
Salmon—Ma Yau	" 30
Shark—Sha Yu	" 7
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Turbot—Cho Hoi Yu	" 18
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keuk Yu	" 60

FRUITS.

Fruits	Price
Almonds—Bang Yan	lb. 35
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Khe	" 18
"(Chaco)—Tie Chai Ping Khe	" 18

Meat

Meat	Price
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing Heng Chiu lb.	3
"(Indon)—San Heng Chiu	1
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lat	1
Carambola—Yeung To	12
Cocanuts—Ye Tse	each 12
Grapes—Po Tai Tse	lb. 30
Lemons, China—Ling Mung	8
"America—Kam Shan Ling Mung	10
Lichee Dried—Lai Chi, small Stone	lb. 28
"Fresh—	5
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tim Ching	8
"Sweet—	8
Pears, (American)—Kun San Shoot Lay	10
"(Canton, Coo)—Sha Li	10
Peanuts—Fa Shang	10
Plantain—Tai Chiu	12
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	12
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yan	each 14
"Shanghai—Lo Kwat	15
Walnuts—Hop To	15
"Green—Sang Hop Tuo	15
Water Melon—(Am)—Kam San Sai Kwa	each 1

VEGETABLES, etc.

Vegetables	Price
Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb. 8
"Chen	8
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moo Pin Tan	8
"(French) Shanghai—Sheung Hai Pin	8
"Sprout—Ah Choi	8
"Long—Tan Kok	10
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tan	each 6
Bitter Squash—Fe Kwa	8
Briajala, Green—Chung Yuen Kwa	8
"Red—Hung Ke	8
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Kai Tsai	lb. 10
Cabbage, Shanghai—Ye Tsai	14
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shan	8
Carrots—Kam Shan	lb. 8
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Tsai	25
Chillies Dried—Kon Lap Chiu	10
"Red—Hung Fa Chiu	10
"Green—Ching Lap Chiu	10
Carry Staff, English—Ka Li Chu Liu	each 2
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	each 2
Garlic—Sun Tan	lb. 8
Ginger, young—Sun Tse Kwong	8
"old—Lo Kwong	9
Home Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	12
Indian Corn—Sak Mai	each 1
Lettuce—Yeung Shang Tsai	lb. 6
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	lb. 8
"Mandarin—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	35
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Cho Ko	lb. 1
Must Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa	each 1
Okra—	lb. 8
Onion Bombay—Yeung Chong Tan	8
"Green—Shang Chong	8
"Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Chong Tan	8
Parley—Kun Tsai	lb. 8
Green Peas—Ching Tan	lb. 8
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	3
"Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Shu Tan	3
"Japan—Yut Pui Shu Tsai	3
"American—Fa Ki Shu Tsai	3
"Fochow—Fochow Shu Tsai	3
Pumpkin—Tong Kwa	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	3
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	3
Sage—Tse So	3
Shallots—Kon Chong Tan	3
Spinach—Yin Tsai	3
Tomatoes—Fan Ke	3
Taro—Wu Tan	4
Turnip, Punt, (Long)—Lo Pak	4
"English—Yeung Lo Pak	4
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa	4
"(American)—Kam-san Chiu	4
Water Cress—Sai Yeung Tsai	12
Lily root—Lin Ngau	8
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30th ult. The Proclamation also contained the following schedule
of maximum retail prices:—

1. Flour:—

(a) Highest Grade, per bag of 50 lbs., \$4.50

per lb., 10

(b) Second Grade, per bag of 50 lbs., 4.00

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(c) Third Grade, per bag of 50 lbs., 3.50

per lb., .0

2. Tinned Milk:—

(a) Sweetened Condensed Milk, per 1 lb. tin, 35

(b) Unsweetened Condensed Milk, per 1 lb. tin, 25

(c) Sterilized Milk, per 1 tin (13 oz.), 25

(d) Sterilized Milk, per 1 litre tin, 35

(e) Eagle Brand, per 1 lb. tin, 33

(f) Skimmed Milk, per 1 lb. tin, 20

3. Sugar:—

Cube, (in 8 lb. tins), per tin, 1.15

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RUBBER SHARE REPORT.

STERLING SHARES.

(PRICES BY MAIL FROM SINGAPORE Dated December 31, 1915)

Nom. Value.	Buyers.	Sellers.
2/- Allagar	1/8	1/11
1 Anglo-Java	11/8	11/8
2 Anglo-Malay	10/4	10/4
1 Ayer Kuning	10/4	10/4
2 B. B. Langkat	1/8	1/8
1 Batu Caves	220/-	220/-
1 Batu Tiga	47/8	47/8
1 Bekoh	1/10	1/10
1 Bukit Kajang	35/-	35/-
2 Bukit Mertajam	2/6	2/6
1 Bukit Rajah	100/-	100/-
2 Bukit Selangor	1/4	1/4
2 Bukit Sembawang	2/4	2/4
1 Castlefield	65/-	65/-
2 Chersonese	3/-	3/-
2 Chimrui 1/8 pd.	14/8	14/8
2 Cicely Ord.	14/8	14/8
1 Consolida Malay	57/8	57/8
1 Damansara	22/-	22/-
1 Dennistown	2/6	2/6
1 Duff	6/8	6/8
2 Edinburg	1/8	1/8
2 Galang Besar	48/8	48/8
1 Goleconda	6/4	6/4
1 Halop	2/4	2/4
2 Heawood	40/-	40/-
1 Highlands & L'lands	1/4	1/4
2 Jasin	2/4	2/4
2 Kamuning	80/-	80/-
1 Kapar Para	12/8	12/8
1 Kertingale	2/4	2/4
2 Kombo	1/4	1/4
2 Kota Tinggi	70/-	70/-
1 Kuala Lumpur	4/8	4/8
2 Labu (F.M.S.)	35/-	35/-
1 Landron	27/8	27/8
1 Langen	35/-	35/-
1 Ledbury	15/8	15/8
2 Linggi Ord.	2/6	2/6
2 London Asiatic	30/-	30/-
1 Lumut	72/8	72/8
1 Malacca 1/8 Pref.	75/-	75/-
1 " Ord.	21/-	21/-
1 Malayalam	2/8	2/8
2 Merlimau	18/-	18/-
1 Mount Austin	18/-	18/-
1 Nor-anal	1/8	1/8
2 Padang Jawa	29/-	29/-
2 Pataaling	32/8	32/8
1 Pegoh	3/8	3/8
2 Perak	16/8	16/8
1 Permas	1/8	1/8
2 P. Dickson Lukut f.p.	18/-	18/-
1 Rembia Pref.	15/-	15/-
1 Rembia Ord.	1/8	1/8
2 R. Est of Krian	12/-	12/-
1 S. afield	70/-	70/-
2 Selangor	19/-	19/-
1 Sendayan	21/-	21/-
1 Seremban	15/-	15/-
1 Siblang	42/8	42/8
2 Singapore Para	1/8	1/8
2 Singapore United	1/8	1/8
2 Straits S. Berram	3/8	3/8
2 Sumatra Para	6/-	6/-
2 Sungei Choh	40/-	40/-
2 Sungei Kapar	7/8	7/8
2 Sungei Krian Pref.	35/-	35/-
1 Tebrau	37/8	37/8
2 United Serdang	9/-	9/-
1 United S. Betong	20/-	20/-
2 United Sumatra	4/8	4/8
2 United Temiang	1/8	1/8
2 Val Gor	1/4	1/4
2 Vallambrosa	15/8	15/8
2 Yam Seng	4/-	4/-

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1 Alor Gajah	2/80	2/70
10 Ayer Hitam	22.50	22.50
1 Ayer Kuning	1.00	1.10
1 Ayer Panas	2.00	2.20
1 Ayer Panas	2.00	2.20
1 Balgownie	5.00	5.30
10 Bukit Timah	11.00	12.50
1 Bukit K.B.	0.77 1/2	0.90
1 Bukit K.B.	0.75 1/2	0.90
1 Bukit Jelutong	0.60	0.75
5 Changkat Serdang	8.00	8.75
1 Glenalee	1.15	1.40
5 Haytor	7.00	8.00
10 Indragiri	8.00	9.00
1 Jeram Kuantan	1.17 1/2	1.25
1 Jimah	0.60	0.80
5 Kelebek	4.00	4.25
2 Kempas	4.50	5.00
5 Lunas	4.25	4.75
1 Malaka Pinda	2.00	2.35
2 Malakoff	3.75	4.25
1 Mandai Tekong	0.65	0.80
3 Menai	3.20	3.50
2 New Se endah	2.50	2.80
3 Nyalas	4.40	4.60
5 Pajam	16.00	18.50
1 Pantai	1.30	1.55
10 Pulau Bulang \$8.50 pd	\$5.75	\$5.95 dis
1 Punggor	0.60	0.80
5 Radella	9.70	10.00
2 Sandycroft	8.50	9.00
1 Sembong	0.17 1/2	0.25
2 Sungei Bagan	1.60	1.85
1 Tambak	0.80	0.92 1/2
10 Tapah	14.50	15.50
5 Teluk Anson	7.25	7.75
2 Trafalgar	0.90	1.00
1 Ulu Pandan	0.50	0.60
1 United Malacca	1.05	1.20

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Bellies Mrs E R	Macdonald B P
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Branch N F	Quinton J
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Bryan Miss H L	Paterson Mrs W B
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Crocker N	Paterson Mrs W B
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Hunt J S C	Paterson Mrs W B
Hodge W J	Paterson Mrs W B
Hall Capt T P	Paterson Mrs W B
Hanibal Mr & Mrs W	Paterson Mrs W B
Holgate L G	Paterson Mrs W B
Hawkes C	Paterson Mrs W B
Hiers H H	Paterson Mrs W B
Hoy W H	Paterson Mrs W B
Innes Capt R	Paterson Mrs W B
Joseph E M	Paterson Mrs W B
James C R B	Paterson Mrs W B
Jamieson H J	Paterson Mrs W B
Kirschbaum Mrs E M	Paterson Mrs W B

Grand Hotel.

Anker J C	Morris James
Arnott C R	Moyes W M
Booth U H	Phillips P
Crow A B	Reynold C W
Dunne A	Ryan E
Dye D	Smith J
Dyk P S V	Stanton J R S
Lewis W	Stobbs Mr & Mrs J B
Maitland J	Thorn H F
Mason Mrs Miss	Thorn H F
McLaren L	Wright S H

Peak Hotel.

Armstrong W Mrs	Johns Mrs T J
Bowdler Mr	Joel Lee E
Carmichael Mr	Joel Lee E
Carey F W	Joel Lee E
Cassidy Mr & Mrs D C	Joel Lee E
Connelly Mr & Mrs	Joel Lee E
Cox A O	Joel Lee E
Darling Col R E	Joel Lee E
Ellis S H	Joel Lee E
Feller Denman	Joel Lee E
Furnival Mr H W	Joel Lee E
Hale Mr & Mrs B A	Joel Lee E
Hazland F A	Joel Lee E

Carlton Hotel.

Beils Mr & Mrs	Johnson Mrs M C
Bell C J	Lewis H E
Broadley J R	Lewis H E
Eyer Miss P	Lundstron H
Caldwell A B	Long Mrs E
Edwards Mrs F d	Mathews P
Copley L	McKinley S E
Crane G F	McLver M
Cropley N C	Meek Thomas
Cropley C C	Morris J C
Crimes Mrs C C	Pennell W V
Hammer J	Robb Mr & Mrs A
Hind W B	Stephens Mrs H
Hosial Dr J	Thorn Wm
Jackson Mr & Mrs	Wilson Mrs W

King Edward Hotel.

Almond Mrs A	Murphy H
Bannerman G	Newman
Cheng Mr & Mrs T S	Passmore Mrs W O
Carey A	Pringle W J
Donaldson B A	Reid J F
Donaldson Mrs M A	Reid J F
Foo Mrs C	Reid J F
Fraser F E	Reid J F
Granch I	Reid J F
Gregory T M	Reid J F
Grieve Mr & Mrs E S	Reid J F
Gun T	Reid J F
Hammes Mr & Mrs	Reid J F
Hammes Mr & Mrs	Reid J F
Hocking S E	Reid J F
Jackson Mr & Mrs	Reid J F
Jewell V	Reid J F
Joseph J	Reid J F
Lambden D	Reid J F
Lambden Miss	Reid J F

Kingsway Hotel.

Bellies J W	Lahrs J H V G
Burn Percy	Michell E J B
Cavero S M	Negre B
Clackson A A	Nicholson Major &
Cooper Mr & Mrs W	North B A C
Cooper Mr & Mrs W	North B A C
Davison Mr & Mrs A	Powell Capt & Mrs
Edwards Mrs	Robertson Mr &
Fisher S E	Mrs J
Forbes A	Rolls F H
Hartley Mr & Mrs	Sachse Mrs G
Hartley Mr & Mrs	Sachse Mrs G
Kerr Mrs A	Singh Mr & Mrs R T
Kerr Mrs A	Singh Mr & Mrs R T
Kerr Mrs A	Singh Mr & Mrs R T
Kerr Mrs A	Singh Mr & Mrs R T
Kerr Mrs A	Singh Mr & Mrs R T

NOTICES.

THE HONGKONG & WHAM-POA DOCK Co. Ltd.

Shareholders desirous of making inquiries in respect of the de-enture, issue should apply to the Company's office in Hongkong. All applications for debentures must be sent in before the 29th February 1916. Forms may be had on application.

R. M. DYER, Chief Manager.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SECOND ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, on Tuesday, 1st February 1916, at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 29th January to TUESDAY 1st February 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
The Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd.
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary to The General Managers.
Hong Kong 13th January 1916

NOTICE.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO. LTD.

(Capital Paid up—\$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.
Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System.
(Rates and Particulars on application.)

The Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed: SHEWAN TOMES & Co. General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1890.

SINGON & CO.

Established A. D. 1880.
BOY, STEEL, METAL AND HARD WARE MERCHANTS. Wholesale and Retail Importers. General Storekeepers and Shipchandlers. Nos. 35 and 37, Central Market, Telok Wai, 515 one.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.
From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and SHANGHAI.
s.s. "CHIYO MARU."

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside. Cargo remaining undelivered on 17th January at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Goods remaining undelivered on 20th January at noon.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.
No Claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Godown, where they will be examined on 26th January at 10 a.m.

No Claim will be recognised if filed after the 28th January 1916.

K. DOI, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1916.
THE ALEXANDRA CAFE.
Cannot be beaten, if Equalled.
For Bread, Cakes, Confectionery and meals with Wines & Liquor.

NOTICES.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Twenty-eighth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd. on Tuesday 1st February 1916 at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915. The Register of shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday 20th January to Tuesday 1st February 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd. on Tuesday 1st February 1916, at 12.15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 20th Jan. to TUESDAY 1st February 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
E. BRUCE SHEPHERD, Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.

Seven hundred and fifty thousand Dollars \$6 per centum Debenture Loan.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above named Company are about to pay off 200 Debentures of the Company.

The Debentures to be paid off will be decided by drawing; such drawing will take place at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday the 22nd day of January 1916 at 11.00 o'clock in the forenoon.

Holders of debentures are invited to attend the drawing. Due Notice of the Debentures intended to be paid off will be given after the drawing in accordance with condition No. 2 endorsed on such debentures.

Dated this 13th day of January 1916.
By Order of the Directors.
J. H. TAGGART, Acting Secretary.

NOTICE.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, on TUESDAY, 1st February, 1916 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY the 20th January to TUESDAY 1st February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co. Limited.
General Agents for the West Point Building Co. Limited.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

NOTICE.

All Shareholders who have taken up and paid for the New Shares offered to them can obtain the Certificates therefor on application at Company's Office in Hongkong on and after the 13th instant.

By Order.
R. M. Dyer, Chief Manager.

NOTICES.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

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Oil Drilling Cables of any size up to 3,000 feet in length.
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In which are vested the shares of THE OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE CO. LTD.

THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS ASSURANCE COMPANY

COMMERCIAL.

Exploitation of the Hokkaido Coalfields.

A keen competition has been launched between the two big corporations in this country, the Mitsui Bishi Company and Mitsui Gomi Kaisha, for the acquisition of rich coal fields in Hokkaido, reports the Japan Times. The Mitsui Bishi Company has already bought up the Mihai field from Mr. Iida and the Mihai district owned by the Ishikari Coal Co. together with its railroad, while fresh negotiations are proceeding between the same company and the Tokyo Gas Co. for the purchase of the two richest mines in Hokkaido, the Shimizu and Wakanabe fields, in possession of the latter. In view of the rival company's activity, the Mitsui Gomi Kaisha has recently opened negotiations with the Ishikari Coal Co. to merge the same in itself. The Ishikari Coal Co. management met together last Monday, when Mr. Sochiro Asano, President of the Company, reported the conclusion of his agreement with Mr. Takuma Dan, the representative of the Mitsui Gomi Kaisha, to transfer his whole share in the Company to the Mitsui Gomi Kaisha. The agreement further provides that the present management shall be changed in a body, that the majority of the shares in the Company shall be turned over to the Mitsui Gomi Kaisha, and that stock, which is paid up to the amount of 40 yen, shall be purchased at the face value, that is, 50 yen. The matter was decided to be referred to today's general meeting of shareholders who have more than 200 shares. Mr. Asano is represented to be of the opinion that in view of the new rigid law relating to gas explosions and also the fact that the fields owned by the Company cannot be worked in full as they are adjoining those districts remaining in possession of another Company it is high time to plan the amalgamation of the Company with the Mitsui Gomi Kaisha. From the deal the shareholders will derive considerable profit.

Future of Steel Prices.

Pittsburgh, December 3.—Steel prices are still showing a strong advancing tendency, but whether advances are proceeding as rapidly as they proceeded thirty days ago is a question. The steel market, or at least the important end of it, is made by prices on some half-dozen leading commodities, bars, plates, shapes, wire, pipe, and sheets. These products usually change in price by \$1 to \$2 a ton rather than fractionally, so that a week's developments in steel prices are not conclusive. Bars, plates, and shapes have not advanced since the advance of November 18. Wire has advanced \$2 a ton in the past week. Boiler tubes, a cognate product with standard steel pipe, have advanced \$2 a ton, but standard pipe has not changed. Sheets have advanced \$2 to \$5 a ton in the week. In some quarters the belief has developed that the advance in bars, plates, and shape, long the market leaders, is over for the time being, perhaps for two or three months. During this time the mills may obtain a clearer conception of what their tonnage obligations really amount to. In the general iron and steel market the more interesting development is the sharply advancing tendency of pig iron. Prices in various markets have advanced by increments of 50 cents a ton on comparatively light transactions, and the indication is that merchant blast furnaces are well sold up, without consumers being necessarily fully covered. Any large additional demand for pig iron, therefore may result in really fancy prices for pig iron, as there are now very few idle furnaces. The remarkable thing in the first six months of this year, was that pig iron did not advance, while steel was rising steadily, and even up to the end of October pig iron advances were very moderate. The large steel mills did not buy merchant pig iron, to take out their own production of iron, as they did in previous upward movements in the trade. What may occur later is another matter.

SHARE REPORT.
COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S-SELLERS											SA-SALEES		R-BUYERS		R-NOMINAL	
STOCK	To-day's Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914 Highest	1914 Lowest	1915 Highest	1915 Lowest	Since 14th May. to now	Since 14th May. to now	Last Dividend and Date					
Banks.																
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	\$810 b 273 10/-	120,000	\$125	all	855	July	700	Oct.	\$45 r div.	790 c. div.	{ 22 3/4 at 1/9 5/16 equal to \$24.21 for 1/2 year 30/6/15					
Marine Insurances.																
Antoni Insurance Office, Ltd.	415 b	10,000	\$250	50	350	Dec.	305	Oct.	425	360	{ Final of \$4 a/c 1913. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914.					
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	182 1/2 a	10,000	\$15	25	145	May	133	Jan.	180	160	{ Final of 12 1/2 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914.					
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	291 1/2 sa	12,000	\$250	100	475	April	700	Oct.	\$97 1/2	\$855	{ Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1913 and Interim of \$30 for 1914.					
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	\$265	12,000	\$100	60	210	April	192 1/2	Jan.	270	225	{ Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1913 & Int. of \$3 for 1914					
Fire Insurances.																
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$152 1/2 a	20,000	\$100	20	160	July	140	Oct.	162	130	{ \$9 for 1913					
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$410 b	5,000	\$250	50	295	Feb.	368	April	420	385	{ \$27 for 1913					
Shipping.																
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$118 sa	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar.	27 1/2	Nov.	117	45	{ \$4 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15					
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	20 1/2 b	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Jan.	22	Dec.	23	19	{ Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts. for year ending 31.12.14					
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	{ Combined \$180 Deferred \$138 Preferred \$52	{ 60,000 60,000	{ \$5 \$5	all	79	Jan.	50	Sept.	182	96	{ 6 p.c. on p.a. & 3 p.c. on a/c for year 1914. a/c quoted ex 9 p.c. div. in H.K. from 30.6.15. Interim div. of 6 p.c. on the combined a/c paid in London 30.6.15 quoted ex div. in H.K. 1.12.15					
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ltd.	37 1/2 b	3,797,614	\$1	all	105 1/2	Feb.	70 1/2	Sept.	90 1/2	x div. 82 1/2	{ Interim of 2 1/4 (Coupon No. 25) making 7 1/2 for 1915					
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	\$37	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar.	40	Nov.	39	32	{ \$1.50 per share and bonus of 40 cents per share for year ending 30.4.15					
Refineries.																
China S. Refining Co., Ltd.	\$130 sa	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2	Feb.	70	Nov.	134	111	{ \$3 for 1912					
Luzon S. Refining Co., Ltd.	\$57 sa	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan.	17	Dec.	45	27 1/2	{ \$3 for 1897					
Mining.																
Kailan Mining Administration	30 1/2	1,000,000	\$1	all	41 1/2	Feb.	33 1/2	Dec.	33 1/2	30 1/2	{ Interim of 1 1/2 account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5)					
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	3.35 n	200,000	\$1	all	310	Jan.	150	Nov.	4	3 1/2	{ 1/2 for 1909					
Tronoh Mines Ltd.	27 1/2 b	160,000	\$1	all	39 1/2	Feb.	19 1/2	Nov.	32 1/2	25 1/2	{ 1/2 interim a/c 1915 paid 12.7.15					
Ural Caspian	\$3 1/2 a	796,666	\$1	all	56 1/2		21 1/2		41	37 1/2	{ 1/2 interim 1915					
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.																
H'kong & S.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	\$75 b	20,000	\$50	all	89	Jan.	73	Nov.	81 1/2	68	{ \$3.50 for year 1914					
H.K. & W.D. Co., Ltd.	\$81 old ex. 77 new	20,000	\$50	all	77	Jan.	53	Oct.	88 1/2	57	{ \$3 dividend for year 1914					
Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	60 b	55,700	\$100	all	60	July	50	Dec.	63 1/2	49 ex div.	{ Tls. 3 for year ending 30.4.15					
Shai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	92 1/2 b	32,000	\$100	all	109	Jan.	92 1/2	Dec.	93 1/2	80	{ Tls. 5 for 1914					
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.																
Anglo French Lands	1.94	13,000	\$100	all	128	July	120	Dec.	116	112	{ Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.2.14					
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$108 b	50,000	\$50	50	128	July	120	Dec.	116	112	{ \$250 for half year ending 30.6.15					
H'kong Land Investment Co. Ltd.	\$104	20,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July	8	Nov.	111 1/2	108	{ \$3 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15					
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	\$8.80	150,000	\$10	all	9 1/2	Jan.	7	Nov.	7 1/2	6 1/2	{ 45 cents for year 1914					
H'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$40 b	6,000	\$50	26	45 1/2	Jan.	44	Feb.	40	40	{ \$3 for 1914					
Shanghai Lands	1.07	78,000	\$50	all	58	Dec.	69	Oct.	106	101	{ Dividend of 6 p.c. for 1 year ending 30.6.15					
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$82 b	10,000	\$50	all	73	June	66	Feb.	82	70	{ \$2 for half year ending 30.6.15					
H'kong Central Estates	\$103	10,000	\$100	all	103		103		103	100	{ \$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14					
Cotton Mills.																
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	\$145	20,000	\$50	all	118	July	105	May	180	135	{ Tls. 16 for year ending 31.10.15					
Sung Yik	\$13; ex div. b	75,000	\$50	all	144 1/2	Jan.	11	Mar.	17 1/2	13 1/2	{ Tls. 1.50 for year ending 30.11.15					
Laou Kung Mow	71 b	8,000	\$100	all	110	Feb.	70	May	89	80	{ Tls. 12 for 1913					
Shanghai Cottons	1.92 b	40,000	\$50	all	135	Feb.	70	Nov.	105	50	{ Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15					
Yangtzepeas.																
Yangtzepeas	1.6	175,000	\$5	all	—		—		6 1/2	5 1/2	{ 6% for year ending 28.2.06					
Miscellaneous.																
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	\$10 1/4 b	50,000	\$10	all	12	May	10	Dec.	10	10	{ 85 cents for 1914					
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$4.80	50,000	\$5	all	4.80	July	4	April	4 1/4	4 1/4	{ 6% for year ending 28.2.06					
Do. (Spec. shares)		50,000	\$1	all	—		—		—	—						
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	10 b	125,000	\$10	all	9	Jan.	7	Nov.	10.10	8.00	{ 70 cts. for 1914					
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	\$29	40,000	\$7 1/2	6	39	Jan.	35	Aug.	34	31 1/2	{ \$12.5 for year ending 31.12.15					
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	10	400,000	\$10	all	6.90	Jan.	5	Dec.	11	6.70	{ 50 cts. for 1914					
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$43 1/2	60,000	\$10	all	45	Jan.	36	Nov.	45	39	{ \$2.00 per share for 1914					
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$190	6,500	\$25	all	217 1/2	July	174	Dec.	190	184	{ Interim of \$2 account 1915					
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	\$31	60,000	\$10	all	25	June	22	Apr.	43 1/2	25	{ Interim 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15					
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5 1/2 b	325,000	\$5	all	13 1/2	July	7 1/2	Feb.	5.90	4.80	{ \$10 1/2 for 1914					
Langkats.																
Langkats	1.87 b	250,000	\$10	all	64 1/2	Mar.	28	Dec.	42	36 1/2	{ Interim of Tls. 1 making Tls. 2 a/c 1912					
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	\$70 b	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2	Jan.	9 1/4	June	10	9	{ 70 cts. on fully paid shares and 7 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.15					
Do. (New) 85 cts. b		50,000	\$10	\$1	93 cts. Jan.		75 cts. Dec.	\$1		80 cts.	{ None					
Philippines Ld.	\$4 b	75,000	\$10	all	—		—		4	4	{ None					
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	\$5	12,000	\$10	10	—		—		5	5	{ \$1.50 for 1910					
Societe des Pulpes et Papiereries du Tonkin	\$20	13,200	\$50	all	—		—		20	20	{ None					
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	\$3 1/2	20,000	\$5	all	5.00	June	4	Nov.	3 1/2	3.00	{ 25 cts. for year ending 31.5.15					
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$16	27,723	\$10	all	22 1/4	Feb.	17	Jan.	18	16	{ \$1.00 per share for year ending 31.12.1914					
Watson and Co., Ltd.	\$6 85	90,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	April	6.90	Dec.	6.90	x div. 6 1/2 x div. 60 cts. for 1914						
William Powell, Limited	\$5 1/2	21,000	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan.	6 1/2	Dec.	7	5 1/2	{ 50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 20.6.14					
S. C. Morning Post	\$29	6,000	\$25	all	30	June	92	Dec.	29	29	{ \$1.50 for 1914					

LATEST RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

Anglo-Java Estates Ltd. Tls. 1 1/2 buyers.	Ayer Panas (Straits) \$9.00 buy-ers.	Kempas (Straits) \$5 buyers.	Sandycrofts (Straits) \$9.00 buyers.
Anglo-Dutch Tls. 8 buyers.	Balgownie (Straits) \$6 buy-ers.	Malaka Pindas (Straits) \$2 1/4 buyers.	Pajam (Straits) \$16 1/4 buyers.
Linggis 51	Changkat Serdangs (Straits) \$8 1/2 buyers.	Malakoffs (Straits) \$4 1/2 buyers.	New Serendah \$2.75 buyers.
Nordanals 15/- buyers.			

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EXCHANGE.

Selling.	T/T Bombay	On Haiphong	Gold Leaf per oz. \$58.40
T/T 1/11 1/4	Demand Bombay 144 1/2	On Saigon	Sovereign \$10.30 nom.
Demand 1/11 5/16	T/T Calcutta	On Bangkok	Bar Silver ready 26 1/2
30 d/s 1/11 3/8	Demand Calcutta 144 1/2	Buying	forward
60 d/s 1/11 1/2	Demand Manila 92 3/4	4 m/s L/C	
4 m/s 1/11 9/16	T/T San P'co & N.Y. 46 1/8	4 m/s D/P	
Private 30 d/s sight	Demand New York 46 1/8	6 m/s L/C	
T/T Shanghai 142 1/2	T/T Java 105 1/2	30 d/s Sney & M. 2 1/4	
T/T Singapore 82 1/2	T/T Marks	30 d/s San P'co & N.Y. 47 1/2	
T/T India 144 1/2	Demand Germany	4 m/s Marks	
Demand India 144 1/2	T/T France 2.69	4 m/s France	
	Demand Paris 2.69 1/2	6 m/s France	

Jan. 19th.

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Chinese 20 cts. pieces	\$18 1/8
Chinese 10	\$15
Hongkong 20 cts. pieces	\$18 1/8
Hongkong 10	\$15

BANKS

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION

HEAD OFFICE:
60, Wall Street, New York.
LONDON OFFICE:
36, Bishopsgate, E.C.

BRANCHES—
BOMBAY, LONDON,
CALCUTTA, MANILA,
CANTON, PANAMA,
CEBU, PEKING,
COLON, SAN FRANCISCO,
HANKOW, SHANGHAI,
HONGKONG, SINGAPORE,
IOB, YOKOHAMA

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$3,500,000
RESERVE FUNDS \$210,000

(U.S. Gold) \$7,460,000
All kinds of FOREIGN & LOCAL BANKING BUSINESS transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received at rates to be ascertained on application.

N. S. MARSHALL
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st July 1915

THE

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.

Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000
Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000
Reserve Fund " 20,000,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches
Amoy, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Peking, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.
Representatives
Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Peking, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Accounts at rates to be ascertained on application.
EISEI CNO, Manager
Hongkong, 21st October, 1915.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
Paid-up Capital £1,200,000
Reserve Fund £1,800,000
Proprietors £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON, Manager
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912.

NOTICE.

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS	TRAMWAY	WEEK DAYS	TRAMWAY
7.00 AM to 10.00 AM	Every 15 Min.	7.00 AM to 10.00 AM	Every 15 Min.
10.00 AM to 12.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	10.00 AM to 12.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
12.00 PM to 2.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	12.00 PM to 2.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
2.00 PM to 4.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	2.00 PM to 4.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
4.00 PM to 6.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	4.00 PM to 6.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
6.00 PM to 7.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	6.00 PM to 7.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
7.00 PM to 8.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	7.00 PM to 8.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
8.00 PM to 9.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	8.00 PM to 9.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
9.00 PM to 10.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	9.00 PM to 10.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
10.00 PM to 11.00 PM	Every 15 Min.	10.00 PM to 11.00 PM	Every 15 Min.
11.00 PM to 12.00 AM	Every 15 Min.	11.00 PM to 12.00 AM	Every 15 Min.

BANKS

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:

Starting \$1,500,000 at 2 1/2%
— \$15,000,000
Silver — \$18,000,000

Reserve Liability of \$33,000,

